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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Biggs et al
Appl. No. : 09/446,232
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Title : Smoking Article and Smoking Materials Thereof

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Examiner : C. Lopez

Docket No.: BW-398-2

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Washington D.C. 20231

SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the telephonic conference of January 21, 2002 regarding the November 13, 2001 response to the dated Office Action of June 13, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel Claim 19.

Claims 3, 6, 15 and 17 have been amended as follows:

C1
3. (twice amended) A smoking material according to Claim 1 wherein said non-polyol aerosol generator is present in said smoking material in a range of about 2% to about 30% by weight.

C2
6. (twice amended) A smoking material according to Claim 1 wherein said inorganic filler is present in said smoking material at a level of at least 35% by weight.

C3
15. (twice amended) A smoking material according to Claim 1 wherein said binder is selected from an alginate, celluloses, modified celluloses, starches, modified starches, natural gums or a combination thereof.

C4
17. (twice amended) A smoking material according to Claim 16 further comprising cocoa, sugar, fibre, starch, pullulan, other polysaccharide expansion agents, foaming agents, cocoa butter, olive oil, corn oil or a combination thereof.